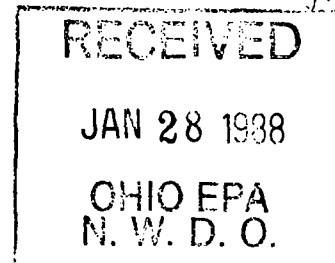


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January 26, 1988

Dear Jeff:

re: former Grizzly Manufacturing facility,  
Paulding County

I understand from Amy Climo that you have been designated the lead for this project. We have previously been in contact with Amy and Tim Fishbaugh concerning our intention to perform additional remedial work at this inactive property. As part of the preparation for final closure we need to continue our site characterization program and conduct a comprehensive investigation of the aquifer under property the site.

James L. Grant & Associates have been responsible for the recent investigations of the Paulding facility. They have prepared a detailed work plan to analyze the quality of the water in the aquifer underlying the former Paulding plant site. In the interest of saving time, I have instructed Dr. Grant to send a copy of the proposed work plan directly to you and to Tim. I would appreciate it if you and Tim would review the document at your earliest convenience and let us have your comments. To avoid unnecessary delays, I suggest that you call rather than write if you or Tim have any comments or suggestions. In that way we can modify the plan to incorporate your input and promptly reissue the plan. Subcontractors, such as the driller and analytic laboratory have been contacted but have not yet been officially brought on board pending your approval of the work plan and the coordination of our schedules so that you and/or Tim can participate in the selection of the optimal locations for the permanent monitoring wells and can have the opportunity to be present while they are being logged and developed.

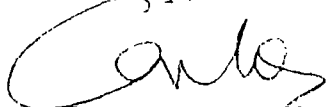
The reason we are anxious to expedite this phase of the investigation is so that we can move ahead and submit a closure plan to you, provided the data indicate that conditions in the aquifer do not pose a potential threat to human health or the environment, i.e., that hazardous constituents are not detected at concentrations in excess of official regulatory limits. After the closure plan has been approved, we would be in a position to proceed to implement

the closure and to conduct most, if not all, of the major remediation and other engineering work during the 1988 dry season.

As soon as your review of the work plan has been completed, we would be happy to meet with you either in your offices or at the site. If either you or Tim have any questions, please call either myself at 703-534-5440, Jim Grant or Steve Wampler at 303-779-0576.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Carlos', written in dark ink.

Carlos Stern, Ph.D.

P. S. Don North, a colleague in your Bowling Green office, should be reasonably familiar with the property since he used to inspect it for compliance with the clean air regulations during the period that the plant was active in manufacturing friction products using asbestos. He was also present during the implementation of the closure of the plant and former asbestos disposal areas conducted by the Nuturn Corporation in 1984.

cc. Bruce Holcomb, Esq., Dickstein, Shapiro & Morin  
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